

TIMEFRAMES FOR INVENTORY DATA

As noted on page 6, the time periods covered by the data presented in the report vary from component to component. These inconsistencies occurred because the INS audit was completed before our simultaneous special audits at the BOP, DEA, FBI, and USMS began. Therefore, our data for the INS is older than that of the other components. In addition, while we attempted to obtain data for the same time periods for the other audits, the components were not always able to provide information for specific cutoff dates. The table below provides the time periods covered by the data used throughout the report.

COMPONENT	TOTAL STAFF	AGENTS OR OFFICERS	TOTAL LAPTOPS	LAPTOP LOSSES	TOTAL WEAPONS	WEAPON LOSSES
BOP	33,859	32,790	2,690	27	20,594	2
	June 2002		August 2001	October 1999 to August 2001	August 2001	October 1999 to August 2001
DEA	9,209	4,529	6,134	Unknown	14,921	16
	September 2001		November 2001	Not Applicable	November 2001	October 1999 to August 2001
FBI	26,748	11,193	15,077	317	49,696	212
	March 2002		August 2001	October 1999 to January 2002	August 2001	October 1999 to January 2002
INS	34,844	19,600	Unknown	Unknown	50,306	539
	June 2002		Not Applicable	Not Applicable	September 1998	Through November 1999
USMS	7,561	6,261	1,450	56	14,361	6
	January 2002		August 2001	October 1999 to August 2001	August 2001	October 1999 to August 2001